

## Resolution Regarding Public Education On Lead, as amended

WHEREAS, the City is enacting legislation to address the issue of lead paint poisoning in Rochester, and

WHEREAS, that legislation will address many of the structural issues that are involved in the dispersion of lead dust into housing units, and

WHEREAS, it will be critically important that the citizens of Rochester understand the potential public health hazards of lead exposure and how to prevent them, and

WHEREAS, in addition to the new City Code requirements, lead poisoning can be prevented through the use of different house cleaning techniques such as wet mopping instead of sweeping, and through the practice of leaving shoes outside the home, as well as through improved nutritional practices in children, and

WHEREAS, the responsibility of providing such information falls not only on the City, but also on the Monroe County Health Department and the Coalition to Prevent Lead Poisoning.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Rochester as follows:

Section 1. The City shall encourage Monroe County and Coalition to Prevent Lead Poisoning to create and fund a campaign to educate the public on the benefits of specific cleaning, hygiene, and nutritional practices in preventing lead poisoning, especially among children.

Section 2. The City shall include information about the new regulations and about health issues involving lead in a water bill insert at the earliest opportunity in 2006.

Section 3. The Mayor is requested to appoint members to a Citizen Advisory Group to provide appropriate advice to the Administration as the new City ordinance are implemented. The membership of said Group shall contain a majority of persons who live in the designated target area.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.